

# Resolution



*of the Planning Commission of Chesterfield County, Virginia*

**RECOGNIZING  
MR. ROBERT V. CLAY  
UPON HIS RETIREMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Robert V. Clay retired from the Chesterfield Planning Department on July 1, 2016 after twenty-nine years of dedicated service; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Clay, honorably served his country in the United States Army reserves and active duty for 23 years, 16 years of which were during his tenure with Chesterfield County, climbing through the ranks as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant, Captain and Captain Major; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Clay began his service in 1987 as a Planner, assisting with rezoning and site plan processes, and guiding the community development processes; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Clay, through his hard work and dedication, rose through the Planning Department, serving in positions of Senior Planner, Principal Planner, Planning Administrator, and Zoning and Special Project Manager during which time the County grew from 182,000 to 337,000 persons; and

**WHEREAS**, during his tenure, Mr. Clay managed special projects, and site and subdivision plan reviews, his primary responsibility was the management of zoning proposals requiring active participation in approximately 300 Planning Commission public hearings, and in excess of 600 community meetings during which he helped negotiate development proposals in the best interest of all; and

**WHEREAS**, during his career, Mr. Clay assisted with the implementation of numerous improvements to the zoning process to include pre-application meetings with zoning applicants; Planning Commission By-Laws revisions; policies for cellular communication tower siting and Substantial Accord determinations; and numerous zoning Ordinances and Comprehensive Plan amendments; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Clay served under a total of 26 different Planning Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Clay forged effective working relationships with the Planning Commission, Board of Supervisors, citizen groups and the development community; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Clay worked tirelessly coordinating team reviews of zoning cases by eighteen different County departments and State agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Clay provided excellent customer service always displaying a positive, friendly attitude while unselfishly assisting co-workers, citizens, the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chesterfield County Planning Commission, this 16th day of August 2016, publicly recognizes the contributions of Mr. Robert V. Clay, and extends on behalf of its members and the citizens of Chesterfield County, appreciation for his service to the County and congratulations upon his retirement.

**AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Clay and that this resolution be permanently recorded among the papers of this Planning Commission of Chesterfield County, Virginia.

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**Mr. Edgar V. Wallin, Chairman**  
**Matoaca Planning Commissioner**

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**Mr. Gib Sloan, Vice-Chairman**  
**Bermuda Planning Commissioner**

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**Ms. Gloria L. Freye, J.D.**  
**Clover Hill Planning Commissioner**

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**Mr. Peppy Jones**  
**Midlothian Planning Commissioner**

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**Mr. Michael Jackson**  
**Dale Planning Commissioner**

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**Mr. Kirkland Turner**  
**Director of Planning and**  
**Secretary to the Commission**